

Remarks/Arguments

Claims 1-25 are pending in the application.

The Examiner objected to the specification due to the length of the Abstract of the Disclosure. Applicant has amended the Abstract of the Disclosure to be less than 150 words.

Claims 1-21 and 24-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shaw et al. (US Patent 5,754,766) in view of Kayssi et al. However, Kayssi et al. was published by IEEE in 2000 (see footnote on bottom left of page 316). Since the subject application receives the benefit of priority of application 09/213,875, filed on December 17, 1998, Kayssi et al. cannot be prior art to this application. It should be noted that this application also claims priority before December 17, 1998. A copy of the priority listed in the filing receipt is attached for the Examiner's convenience.

Claims 22 and 23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shaw and Kayssi as applied to claim 1 above and further in view of Chin et al. (US Patent 5,497,465). As noted above, Kayssi cannot be prior art to this application. In addition, Claims 22 and 23, as well as claims 20 and 21, have been amended to specify that a microchip (instead of a personal computer) includes a plurality of microprocessors, which is not shown by Chin et al.

It should be noted that, in the amended claims, the term "a" should be interpreted as "at least one" because, for example, if you have two control units, then you have one (or "a") control unit. Thus, for example, "a" processing unit should be interpreted as "at least one" processing unit and "another" personal computer should be interpreted as "at least one other" personal computer.

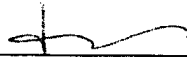
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The application has been amended to place the application in better condition prior to examination. All amendments are supported by the specification. An early notice of allowance is earnestly solicited.

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